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DMT DataMaster Recertification On-Line Training

By: Monica Yarborough

The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) in conjunction with South Carolina Educational Television (SCETV) is in the process of transitioning all of our Traffic Safety Recertification courses from SCETV's satellite delivery to an online video instruction and testing format using an online course management system. SCCJA's new online course services offer the flexibility and convenience to meet law enforcement training needs without the ever increasing costs and down time associated with recurring onsite training.

On April 6, 2011, we re-

leased our first online recertification course, Datamaster DMT Recertification, and as of this date it will not be offered via satellite anymore. Datamaster is SCCJA's first online recertification offering, to be followed soon by Radar, Lidar, and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) recertification courses over the next few months.

All SCCJA online recertification courses consist of a series of instructional videos that must be watched in their entirety before you can advance to the online test that is based on the content presented in the video segments.

Test questions are taken from a large question bank and are randomized, along with each set of answers for each test. Your test is graded immediately upon completion.

If you receive a passing grade of 70% or better, you then have access to a recertification certificate for that course. You may print your certificate immediately or if you do not have access to a printer at that time the course management system will email a PDF copy of your certificate to the email address(es) you provided when setting up your online

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Director's Message Hubert F. Harrell

It never ceases to amaze me that no matter how hard you plan or work something will always get by you. So it is with our grand opening for the Basic Training Village, I am quickly becoming educated about the construction business and how most deadlines

are tenuous at best. We planned on having our "Grand Opening" in mid-May but it seems that this schedule was too ambitious for our contractor, so it appears that Mid-June will be much more realistic so that's what we are shooting for.

No matter how impatient I get, I do realize how quickly this has come together. In little over a year, we have constructed the Village, put on a new roof and completely refurbished the wrap on the second floor as well as the workout room and the library.



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course account.

If your test score is less than 70% you must contact your training officer or SCCJA's Traffic Safety Unit at 803-896-7777 to schedule a training date for the 8-hour Datamaster DMT Certification class.

What You Need to Complete Datamaster DMT Recertification Online:

- A computer with broadband internet access

- Your 6 digit DMT Number
- A working email address that you can access easily
- Approximately 2.5 hours available to complete the course
- An account on SCCJA's OnePlaceSC.org online training site. If you do not already have an OnePlaceSC.org account, please contact your Training Officer or have your Training Officer contact SCCJA at 803-896-7729.

- Recertification course Enrollment Key Code found on SCCJA's OnePlaceSC.org web page. Note: Enrollment Key Codes must be entered in all caps (example: CJACODE)
- Additional instructions on enrolling in this course can be found on OnePlaceSC.org

For more information or to get a pass code for your agency, please contact Monica Yarborough at 803-896-7729.

Director's Message Continued

I guess the most challenging thing we have accomplished is developing the twelve week Basic Training Program, which will kick off with Basic 573 in mid July. The entire Training Staff has pulled together to get this done and we are excited about it. There will be a great deal of participative learning to support the classroom activities and also more exposure to real world experiences through guest speakers and practical applications. Well done to the Training Staff for a great job. We are warning all agencies to advise their recruits that the Village will be a tobacco free environment; therefore, we encourage those who use tobacco products to get themselves prepared.

Since our Basic Training format is changing, Special Basic Training for those who are seeking recertification after a one year but less than three year absence from law enforcement will be six weeks rather than three weeks. Limited Duty classes (LE3) will be offered once each quarter.

We hope to be going to an open enrollment format in July. The registration personnel will be moving to the old headquarters building and will

been quite a challenge for our Certification Staff and they are behind right now but working hard to catch up. The IT staff and our Finance Division have kicked things into high gear and are working very hard as I write this to correct many years of missing or incorrect information that languished in the old LETS system to give the field a much better and reliable database. We can only say thank you for your patience and apologize for any inconvenience we may have caused.

I cannot express enough how hard your Academy Staff has worked to bring us into the 21st Century. We are seeing a better caliber of students and we are adjusting to that. It is so exciting to watch these young and sometimes old people change as the light bulb comes on.

Thank you for your support and remember "This IS your Academy".



Roof Construction on the main Academy building

accept registration of Basic Students throughout the business week. This should allow greater flexibility for Training Officers to get their new personnel enrolled for classes without having to come here on a specific day.

We are moving to the next phase of our development by migrating to the ACADIS database from Envisage. It has

Baghdad Women in Law Enforcement

Written By: Florence McCants

Photo By: Monica Yarborough



Women in supervisory positions are nothing new to law enforcement. Well, nothing new to those of us in the United States I should say. Recently, the women of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy met with the women of Baghdad. The two groups met to discuss the roles of women in law enforcement and women in supervisory capacities in law enforcement.

The women, specializing in law enforcement instruction in their native country, were the special guests of Sheriff Leon Lott of the Richland County Sheriff's Department. During this cultural exchange, the women discussed training trends as they relate to women in this predominantly male field. Women in law

enforcement is new to Baghdad, so therefore one can't expect to see many women in law enforcement leadership roles yet. When asked, Captain Misty Sorell and Lieutenant Michelle Collins stated that the conversation with the women was something like going back in time.

Going Bald for the Cause

By: Florence McCants

The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy participated in the St. Baldrick's Event on Saturday, March 26, 2011. The event took place at Jillian's located at 800 Gervais Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. The St. Baldrick's event focuses on volunteers who shave their heads as a symbol of standing in solidarity with children who have cancer.

Members who participated and had their heads shaved were Jimmy Fennell, John Yarborough, Jim Crosland, Jimmy Crosland, Michael Baker, Scott Franklin, Doug Curry, James Vaughan, and Chris Montjoy. Team captains were Monica Yarborough, Lauren Orris, and Kendra Brown. Also assisting was Kelly Snider, Natalie Crosland, and Ami Franklin. The participants along with Basic Law Enforcement class 566 and 567 raised over \$1500.



JP Strom Winners January – March 2011



BLE 563
Joshua D. Call
Columbia Police Department



BLE 564
Adam D. Paul
Beaufort County Sheriff's Office



BLE 565
Michael L. Bailey
Lancaster County Sheriff's Office



BLE 566
Michael G. Richards
SC Probation, Parole & Pardon

Bert Friday Award Winners January – March 2011



Bj 300
Anthony D. Vicuna
Beaufort County Detention Center



Bj 301
Jonathan J. Jerde
Oconee Law Enforcement Center

Basic Class Information

Basic Law Classes

B568 February 21–April 22, 2011
 B569 March 14–May 13, 2011
 B570 April 4–June 3, 2011
 B571 April 25–June 24, 2011
 B572 May 16–July 22, 2011
 B573 July 11–September 30, 2011
 B574 August 1–October 21, 2011

Basic Jail Classes

BJ 301 February 28–March 18, 2011
 BJ 302 March 28–April 15, 2011
 BJ 303 April 25–May 13, 2011
 BJ 304 May 23–June 10, 2011

Basic TCO (formerly E-911)

BTCO 156 April 4–15, 2011
 BTCO 157 May 23–June 3, 2011
 BTCO 158 June 6–17, 2011

Advanced Class Information

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| Fingerprint Recognition & Comparison | May 30–June 3, 2011 | Assault Rifle/Select Fire Instructor | June 20–24, 2011 |
| Basic Detective | May 16–27, 2011 | Defensive Tactics Instructor | June 20–July 1, 2011 |
| Narcotics Undercover Tech | April 25–29, 2011 | Defensive Tactics Instructor Recert | May 16–20, 2011 |
| Officer Survival Train the Trainer | May 2–5, 2011 | Ground Defense Instructor | April 25–28, 2011 |
| Crime Scene for Patrol Officers | April 12–14, 2011 | OC Instructor | June 7–9, 2011 |
| | June 14–16, 2011 | Traffic Collision Investigation At-Scene | June 13–24, 2011 |
| Advanced SRO | April 4–8, 2011 | Safe and Legal Traffic Stops | April 8, 2011 |
| | June 6–10, 2011 | Speed Measurement Device Operator | May 23–25, 2011 |
| Juvenile Specifics | April 20, 2011 | Police Traffic Laser/Lidar Operator | April 18–19, 2011 |
| | May 18, 2011 | | June 6–7, 2011 |
| Basic Instructor Development | May 9–20, 2011 | Traffic Collision Reconstruction | April 4–15, 2011 |
| Specific Skills Instructor | June 14–16, 2011 | DMT Certification | April 5, 6 & 7, 2011 |
| Training Manager Development | April 18–21, 2011 | | April 26, 27 & 28, 2011 |
| | May 30–June 3, 2011 | | May 3, 4 & 5, 2011 |
| Human Trafficking | May 26, 2011 | | May 31 |
| Chief's School | April 25–29, 2011 | | June 1 & 2, 2011 |
| Driving Instructor School | May 2–5, 2011 | | June 28, 29 & 30, 2011 |
| Firearms Instructor School | May 2–5, 2011 | | |
| Select Fire (Assault Weapons) | January 24–26, 2011 | | |
| | March 7–9, 2011 | | |

ACADEMY REGISTRATION CHANGES AND TRAINING UPDATE

By: Misty Sorell

The new training year will see many new additions and changes to the Academy. Along with the total Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) revamp there will be changes in both the basic and advanced registration processes. The following information will be of use as we continue to move forward:

BASIC REGISTRATION

The Registration Support personnel will be moving offices from the administrative building by July 1, 2011. Registration for BLET candidates will move from the current location in building 4 to building 10. All registration functions, except traffic, will be handled by the Registration Support personnel in building 10. Registration for traffic courses will still be conducted by the Traffic Unit's administrative support. We will be using an open registration format for the mandated training classes with open registration Tuesday through Thursday from 0900 to 1530 hrs. Later hours on Wednesday evenings are being planned beginning July 1, 2011. You will no longer have to pre-register for registration. Candidates with complete paperwork will be confirmed for class slots on a first come first serve basis.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION

The FY 2011/2012 Training Schedule has been approved for publication for the upcoming year. All training opportunities will be located on the CJA website www.sccja.sc.gov under the Training tab. Registration for advanced classes will open on May 2, 2011 but you will only be able to register for classes on a quarterly basis. Training Officers will register their personnel by name and by class via the website. Confirmations will be sent to the Training Officer and the registered officer as classes are filled throughout the year.

We are asking agencies to please consider creating a generic email address that is assigned to the Training Section. The Academy can use this address for responses to ensure that agency's can retrieve slot allocation information in the event the Training Officer is out of the office, on vacation or replaced. This will help to standardize the Academy's response to agencies and ensure information on class assignments are not missed or lost. It will also provide a quick line of communication between the Academy and agency training sections/units.

IMPORTANT BLET INFORMATION

Some changes affected by the BLET curriculum expansion:

BLET 573 and 574 that were originally scheduled at the end of FY 10/11 training year have been pushed to the FY 11/12 training year – please mark your training calendars accordingly.

BLET 573 will be the first 12 week class beginning in FY 11/12 starting on July 11, 2011, and graduating September 30, 2011. The new student report time for BLET will be 1400 hours the first Sunday and the uniform of the day will be PT uniform and running shoes. The candidates will be running the physical abilities test and in-processing on that Sunday.

ALL pre-approved out-of-state candidates or previously certified officers seeking Class 1 certification, who meet the requirements set forth in the training act, will attend the first 6 weeks of the 12 week basic program to secure Class 1 certification. The field training option for these officers will no longer be available (previously known as "Special Basic in the Field").

Approved students seeking certification from out-of-state or renewing Class 1 taking the six weeks of training will be required to participate and pass Defensive Tactics, Firearms, Driver Training and all academic requirements. Students requiring only six weeks of BLET training will be exempt from the PAT on the first Sunday, but are required to report at the same time on Sunday to in-process and to either wear khaki uniforms or khaki trousers with an organizational polo shirt.

Limited Duty Class 3 courses will be held quarterly in the main training complex. Currently, the Limited Duty curriculum will remain a legal' only 8-day program. These students will continue to be housed in the main building dormitory complex.

Welcome Our New Employees



Gayle Tallon Brazell
Standards Unit



Mario Evans
Instructor
Defensive Tactics Unit



Kristopher Feldner
Instructor
Defensive Tactics Unit



Jimmy Fennell
Instructor/Attorney
Basic Training Unit



Angela Graham
Financial Services



Kevin Smith
Instructor
Police Science Unit

Employee Spotlight



Hal Volin has worked as a producer, director, and graphic designer at the Academy for over 18 years. He has played a major role in some of the first Academy productions. He has produced and broadcasted hundreds of telecasts. He has been instrumental in the studio design, providing video and graphic support services for the Academy. Hal also enjoys working part-time for B106.7 FM. One of the highlights of his job is being able to participate in the Children's Hospital Radiothon. He has participated every year for the past ten years. The radiothon has raised over \$1.5 million dollars over the past 10 years for the Palmetto Health Children's Hospital, and all money raised stays in the Midlands.

Hal is a native of Columbia, South Carolina. He graduated from W.J. Keenan High School in 1988 and from the University of South Carolina in 1993 with a Bachelor of Arts in Media Arts. Hal enjoys photography, playing video games on the Wii, grilling out with family and friends, eighties music and spending time with his dog Goose.